## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 1 FOR THE DISTRICT OF HAWAI'I 2 'ILIO'ULAOKALANI COALITION, ) Civil No. 04-00502 DAE BMK 3 a Hawai'i nonprofit corporation; NA 'IMI PONO, 4 a Hawai'i unincorporated association; and KIPUKA, a 5 Hawai'i unincorporated association, 6 Plaintiffs, 7 8 vs. DONALD H. RUMSFELD, 9 Secretary of Defense; and FRANCIS J. HARVEY, 10 Secretary of the United States Department of the 11 Army, 12 Defendants. 13

## DEPOSITION OF RONALD L. BORNE

Taken on behalf of the Plaintiffs, at the law offices of Earthjustice, 223 South King Street, Third Floor Conference Room, Honolulu, Hawai'i, commencing at 9:36 a.m., on Monday, December 4, 2006, pursuant to Notice.

BEFORE: CARI VALLO, CSR No. 252, RPR Notary Public, State of Hawai'i

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## APPEARANCES: 1 For Plaintiffs 'Ilio'ulaokalani Coalition, a 2 Hawai'i nonprofit corporation; Na 'Imi Pono, a Hawai'i unincorporated association; and 3 Kipuka, a Hawai'i unincorporated association: 4 DAVID L. HENKIN, ESQ. 5 Earthjustice 223 South King Street, Suite 400 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813 6 (808) 599-2436 7 For the Defendants Donald H. Rumsfeld, Secretary 8 of Defense, and Francis J. Harvey, Secretary of of the United States Department of the Army: 9 ROBERT M. LEWIS, ESQ. 10 Senior Trial Attorney Environmental Law Division 11 U.S. Army Litigation Center 901 N. Stuart Street, Suite 400 12 Arlington, Virginia 22203 (703)696-1567 13 JAMES D. GETTE, ESQ. 14 Trial Attorney, Natural Resources Section U.S. Department of Justice 15 Environment & Natural Resources Division 601 D Street, NW 16 Washington, DC 20004 (202)305-1461 17 18 ALSO PRESENT: Anna Mallon, William Aila 19 20 21 22 23 24 25

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have witnessed the training, discussed with the instructors and their supervisors the training that they do today.
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In the Kahukus, my experience is only topographically having visually seen the areas myself in the past, knowing the vehicle maneuver capabilities, and for the Stryker discussions with 2nd Brigade personnel, Colonel Banach, and his operations officer.

MR. HENKIN: Why don't we take a five-minute break.

(Recess taken, 10:16-10:25 a.m.)

BY MR. HENKIN:

Q Mr. Borne, is the Army seeking to use -- sorry. Try again.

As part of the Army's current request to the court for training involving Stryker vehicles, is it seeking any use of the area that was recently purchased from the Parker Ranch on the island of Hawai'i, known as the West Pohakoloa Training Area Acquisition Area?

A Not for initial operating capabilities for 2nd Brigade.

Q Could you please clarify what you mean by not for initial operating capabilities?

A Not use the Keamuku -- recently purchased

Keamuku parcel for 2nd Brigade to reach its capacity to

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       deploy.
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               Is it asking the court for use of the Keamuku
      parcel for any other purpose?
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               No, it is not.
               Does it have plans to use the Keamuku parcel
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      for any other purpose between now and the time that the
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      2nd Brigade deploys?
              For training, no. I am not certain if there's
      any implementation of any fire management or other
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      environmental concerns that have to be implemented for
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      emergency reasons, like wild fire. But not for
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      training until that time.
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              Who would know if there were any plans to do
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      any nontraining activities on the Keamuku parcel
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     between now and the time of deployment?
              At this point, I do not believe anyone is aware
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     of them, that they need to implement any immediately.
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     However, should wild fires become a problem,
     suppression, fire-break roads, those things may have to
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     be implemented or managed.
             When you refer to the time of the 2nd Brigade's
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     deployment, what time is that?
             Second brigade, I am not privy to the exact
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     deployment of 2nd Brigade.
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Has it received deployment orders?

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               I, CARI VALLO, CSR No. 252, a Notary Public in
       and for the State of Hawai'i, do hereby certify:
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               That on Monday, December 4, 2006, at 9:36 a.m.,
      appeared before me RONALD L. BORNE, the witness whose
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      testimony is contained herein; that prior to being
      examined, the witness was duly sworn or affirmed; that
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      the proceedings were taken in computerized machine
      shorthand by me and were thereafter reduced to print
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      under my supervision; that the foregoing represents, to
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      proceedings had in the foregoing matter;
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              That, if applicable, the witness was notified
      through counsel, by mail, or by telephone to appear and
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      sign; that if the transcript is not signed, either the
      reading and signing were waived by the witness and all
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      parties or the witness has failed to appear and the
      original is therefore kept on file without signature
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      pursuant to Court rules;
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              That pursuant to HRCP 30(f)(1), the original
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     will be forwarded to noticing counsel for retention.
     unless otherwise agreed to by all counsel.
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              I further certify that I am not counsel for any
     of the parties hereto nor in any way interested in the
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     outcome of the cause named in the caption.
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             Dated this 8th day of December, 2006, in
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     Honolulu, Hawai'i.
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             Notary Public, State of Hawai'i
My Commission expires: November 6, 2008
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             CARI VALLO, CSR No. 252, RPR
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